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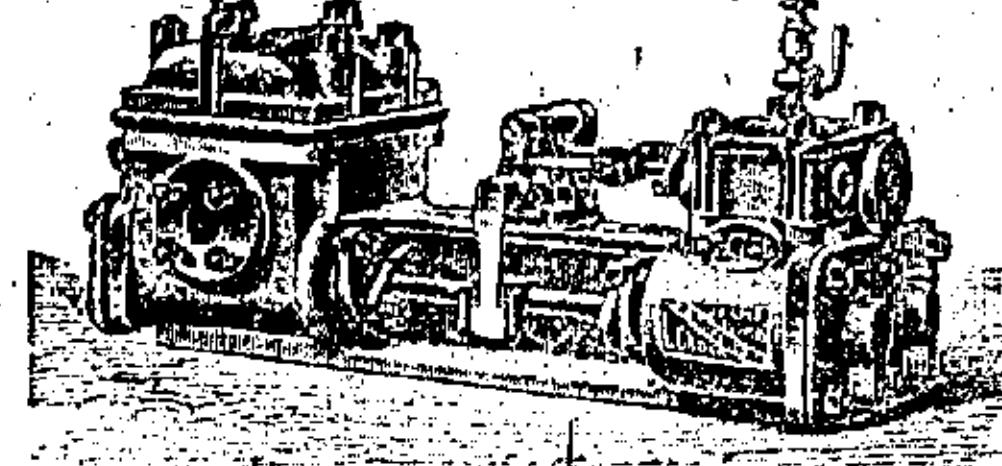
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## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

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Daylight.—*Anping* Maru leaves for Swatow.  
Meeting.

5 p.m.—Meeting of Members of the Victoria Recreation Club, at the Gymnasium.

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## General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, July 12.—  
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MONDAY, July 16.—  
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HONGKONG, July 10, 1900.

New Patna, cash	940
Old Patna, cash	145
New Benares, cash	940
New Malwa, credit	—
Allowance, Taels	290,350
Last Year, 12/16	—
Allowance, Taels	340,950
Old Malwa credit	340,950
Allowance, Taels	12,16
Persian, Old, cash	—
Allowance, Taels	—
Persian, Persian long	89,350
Allowance, Taels	—

## Exchange.

HONGKONG, July 10, 1900.

On London— Bank, Wires	117
On demand	111
30 days' sight	2.0
4 months' sight	2.03
Creditors, 4 months' sight	2.05
On Paris— On demand	2.504
Creditors, 4 months' sight	2.55
On Berlin—Demand	2.034
On New York— On demand	481
Creditors, 30 days' sight	492
On Bombay— Wires	140
On demand	140
On Calcutta— Wires	140
On demand	140
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On Shanghai— On demand	71
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## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JULY 10, 1900.

## Editorial Comment.

So long as H.E. Li Hung Chang remains Canton DEFENCE, and adheres to the Viceregal syndicate which opposes the present usurpation at Peking, no serious outbreak against Foreigners or Foreign trade is likely to occur there. As, however, Canton is within five or six hours of Hongkong, it strikes us as peculiar that apparently so little interest is felt here by our Government (civil and military) in the possibilities on the Shamben, and in other places in and near Canton. This mistake has possibly arisen from the fact that H.M. Consuls are presumed to be under the direct orders of the Minister at Peking, or Foreign Office in London. Well, their orders cannot count in the moment from Sir Claudio Macleod, nor are they likely to come from London. Where then, we ask, lies Governor Blake, and General Gascoigne? Should they not, under present circumstances, hold direct communication with H.E. the Viceroy Li at this juncture? We ask this question at the present time because we know that H.M. Cousin at Canton holds views which are directly antagonistic to those of all the other Europeans in the Settlement. The lives and property of the other Europeans weigh far more in the balance than the possible consequences which may happen to the British Consul. And yet we have upon unquestionable evidence that the representative of British interests is shaping his conduct upon rules (or lack of rules) which would do bare justice to a flysway school-boy. We do not know, we cannot remember, that Consul B. C. G. Scott has ever been credited with doughty deeds, although doubtless he would acquit himself nobly if the call came to fight. At the same time, the Consul and the residents are at sixes and sevens about precautionary preparations. This is the thing which should be done in time of peace—though, of course, those responsible at Home for such neglect may explain it away on the ground of the South African war. A contrast, not to the advantage of Hongkong, can take note that the demands of the hour may at any moment raise the question, Who is to blame?

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.  
We are advised from the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that, subject to audit, the Directors will recommend at the forthcoming meeting a dividend of £1. 10s. per share, and £60,000 to Reserve Fund and carry forward \$1,700,000.

## Sales of Crown Lands.

Yesterday, at the office of the Public Works Department, Mr. G. J. W. King offered for sale by auction several lots of Crown land, including six lots, at Mong Kok Tsui, which were bought as the sites of Chinese tenements. They realized very good prices. Lot 1,005 fetched \$8,380 (upset \$1,779) and was bought by Lau Chin Ting. Pun Yau Tsun bought lots 1,006 and 1,007 for \$8,520 (upset \$2,779) and \$9,600 (upset \$2,779), and also bought lot 1,100, the price being \$10,900 (upset \$3,534). Lot 1,098 was knocked down to Chan Wai Hing for \$14,000 (upset \$4,632) and lot 1,099 to Lau Chin Ting for \$10,400 (upset \$3,534). Inland Lot No. 1,612, situate at Bowrington, fetched \$4,199 (upset \$1,670). Chan Wat Chin being the buyer. Messrs. Dunson and Rau, on behalf of the Hon. Wei A Yuk, bought garden lot 11, situate in Bowen Road, for \$950 (upset \$2,686).

## Alleged Decoying.

At the Magistracy, to-day, Mr. Hazeland had rather a peculiar case before him. Mrs. McLeish, of the Criterion Restaurant, charged her daughter Mrs. Mordy with enticing and decoying away her son George. It appeared that her son, who is only about eight years of age, had not been attending College regularly, and his mother came to learn that he was visiting his sister instead at another house in the City. She did not want him to go there and having given him a good whipping sent him to College as a boarder instead of a day scholar. She placed the boy in the witness box and he went to his sister's house of his own accord because he loved her. It was not because of anything his sister had said that he went there. The Magistrate who would not allow Mrs. McLeish to make any further statement said it was very clear that there was no evidence to support the charge, and he accordingly discharged the defendant. There was no justification for complaint, making the charge against her daughter as he thought it was very likely that she had treated the boy badly. (Mrs. McLeish—I have not beat him, your Worship.) The charge had not been made out and no explanations were required. His Worship then warned the boy that he had better stay at school.

Vessels at the Docks.—At Kowloon: U.S.S. Monitor, Changsha, Chiauchoo, Manchurian Argus, Godwin, *Abdereth*, *Goddwin*.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Notes by the Way.

During the week ended 7th July there were notified in the Colony 65 cases of bubonic plague. The death numbered 68.

The return of plague cases up to noon on the 10th July showed that 9 fresh cases and 3 deaths occurred during the preceding 24 hours.

Lord Wellesley has issued an order directing that all Royal Garrison Battalions will march past to the tune of 'The Boys of the Old Brigade.'

## The Spanish Hidden Treasure.

The *Courier d'Haiphong* states that the Spanish officer of hidden treasure fame, still a prisoner in dungeon deep, has written to several honest citizens offering to send out his daughter Amelia to disclose the whereabouts of the bullion on condition that the cash is advanced for her outfit and passage. We wonder if the fish will bite? Some honest Kowloonites thought the treasure was in our hinterland!

## Open Drains.

A correspondent writes to us, complaining of an open drain, which has been threatening to give typhoid and diphteria to its neighbourhood for months past. He adds that it is enough to poison the Queen's statue, and asks what can be done. If no address can be got from landlord, architect or contractor—or even from the Sanitary Board—we would strongly recommend an appeal to H.E. the Governor, through the Colonial Secretary.

## Our Defence.

Without being considered in the least degree alarming, it seems to us to be the paramount duty of the Home Authorities to complete the equipment of our local Volunteer Corps without a moment's delay. It appears one of the reasons why many of the members of the Corps look upon the 'Over '32 Guard' with an unfriendly eye is that years have passed, and still portions of the necessary equipment of the existing Corps have been on order for about a year, and are still 'on order.' This is not as it should be in view of time of peace—though, of course, those responsible at Home for such neglect may explain it away on the ground of the South African war.

A contrast, not to the advantage of Hongkong, may be found in the condition of the Shanghai Volunteers. It is to the credit of the Model Settlement that it can give so excellent an account of its volunteer garrison. We all believe our Colony will be comparatively clear of trouble; but as there is always a possibility of the corner of a wave of the present trouble touching our shores—or at least our smart citizen soldiers may be called upon to bear a hand somehow—the duty is clear that our Volunteers should be amply provided with every thing needed for efficient work.

## Important Bankruptcy Decision.

At the Supreme Court on 9th July, in Bankruptcy Jurisdiction His Honour Sir John W. Carrington, Chief Justice, gave a most important decision with regard to the administration of the Bankruptcy law. The petitioning creditor Albert Ahwee asked that the receiving order be made in respect of the estate of the King Hing Shing Kee Tsin, of No. 99 Bonham Strand. It was alleged in the petition that the debtor firm had had within a year next preceding the presentation of the petition ordinarily resided and carried on business in Hongkong. The Court granted the order for substituted service. On 28th March, Mr. Rees filed a notice of motion on behalf of four of the partners (appearing under protest and without submitting to the jurisdiction of the Court) for an order that the order for service on them of the petition be discharged and the service set aside and the petition dismissed on the ground that they are Chinese subjects domiciled and resident in China out of the jurisdiction of the Court and that the Court in bankruptcy had no jurisdiction over them. A declaration in support of the motion was made by Ng Wai Chan, one of the four partners on whose behalf the notice of motion was filed. In this declaration it was stated that the said partners China subdita, domiciled and resident in China out of the jurisdiction of the Court; that none of them had within a year next preceding the presentation of the petition ordinarily resided in Hongkong; and that none of them had within four months prior to the date of the presentation of the petition committed any act of bankruptcy. The statements in this declaration were not contradicted on behalf of the petitioning creditor. Three rates decided by the Court of Appeal in England were quoted, the effect of the decisions in which being that a foreign resident out of the jurisdiction of the English Courts could not be made bankrupt unless he had committed an act of bankruptcy in England. His Lordship and there was nothing for him but to follow the decisions in the English Court. It was curious that the point now taken by Mr. Rees had not been raised before in the local Court, although the Ordinance had been in operation for more than eight years. He came to the conclusion that the motion must be allowed and the order for service of the petition on the four partners now living must be discharged and the service on them set aside and the petition be dismissed against them. They must have, as against the petitioning creditor, their costs of and incidental to the motion.

REUTER'S TELEGRAM.

LONDON, 8th July.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

General Buller reports from Pretoria that 500 prisoners have been put over the Natal border from Reitz, and are proceeding on 8th June, and was missed by the second engineer within the hour. Mr. Richards, who it appears was the only Britisher on board the ship, was a strong swimmer and could probably have kept afloat for a short time to permit of the interior of the ship being washed, but the Inspector said there was a stated time for washing much earlier in the morning, and defendants knew the law very well.

## INTERNATIONAL SPORT.

The Americans have won eight out of the first nine of the Amateur Athletic Championships.

## UNIVERSITY CRICKET MATCH.

The University Cricket ended in a draw.

## SHOOTING.

A Machine Gun Co.

The July shoot took place at Kowloon on the 8th inst., resulting in a win for Captain P. A. Cox of the Nos. 1 and 2 Corps. There were sixteen competitors. The following are the five best scores:

	300 yds.	400 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Heads.
Gunner Cox	25	33	24	10	33
Sgt. Lammert	26	32	33	—	32
Corp. Barrett	27	24	14	19	21
Gunner Brown	23	19	21	21	20
Capt. Sanders	23	21	21	14	20

## The Hongkong Rifle Association.

There was a very good attendance at the range for this competition, nineteen men taking part for Spoons and eleven for the Cup.

Inspector D. McLennan proved the captain with a score of 89. The following are the best scores:

	90	92	94	96
Sgt. M. Wallace II	27	33	23	—
Mr. F. Marshall	26	32	23	—
Capt. Hill, I.C.	20	23	31	—
M. Brand	26	29	22	10
At-Sgt. Blair	28	31	20	—
M. B. Collins	23	24	26	8
M. R. Weddhouse	22	24	26	12
M. A. Watson	28	26	27	—
M. G. H. May	28	26	15	30

Winners of Spoons.

Total ... 62 428

## Plague in a Public Chair.

Police Sergeant Smith (No. 54) on the evening of the 7th, discovered a couple of coolies, in Queen's Road Central, carrying a dead body in chair No. 236. The body was taken to the Mortuary, where it was certified to have been a plague case. The coolies were at the Magistracy, to-day, each fined \$10.

## Another Dynamite Accident.

Yesterday morning, a Chinese boy at Saikung thought he would be able to catch fish much easier if he exploded a dynamite cartridge amongst them. He was just about to throw the cartridge in the water when it exploded and blew his right hand to pieces. The police launch came upon the scene and the boy's injuries were quickly attended to. He was afterwards conveyed to Hospital.

TUESDAY, JULY 10, 1900.

## ENGLAND IN THE FAR EAST.

## The Balance of Power.

(Standard's Correspondent at Wellington.) That the destiny of the British Empire in the Far East will eventually be the predominance, which Lord Curzon predicted in 1894 seems more than probable. For Great Britain it is possible that the task might have proved too great; for Greater Britain, master of the united forces of Canada and Australasia, it should be easier of accomplishment—that is to say, for Greater Britain as the champion of national liberty and individual freedom in the face of the world. To arrive at just appreciation of the situation in the Far East, it is necessary that we can be judged, who is at present working for the general good of all nations in the Far East.

The third of the great changes which have recently occurred in the Far East is the entrance of the United States of America upon the political stage in this part of the world—presents certain peculiar conditions of its own. In the case of other nations each has and has had a more or less definite foreign policy, resulting in some, to some extent, foretells its future. America, however, has not yet developed one, nor has she, judging from the utterances of her statesmen, any clear idea of what it is to be. A large proportion, if not a majority, of the States, though willing to subject the newly-conquered territories to American rule, wish to do them entirely their rights as American States. As one of the leading New York Statesmen recently said: "It is exactly what the American Colonies were obliged against when they threw the tea into Boston Harbour. It is taxation without representation. It is the Colonial system of the Eighteenth Century. It makes a laughing-stock of our advocacy of the open door." And at a dinner of the American Arctic Association in Washington, the Chinese Ambassador to the United States uttered the following warning: "If you want to have a share of China's trade, a good deal depends upon the kind of treatment you extend to my countrymen in this country, and especially in your port possessions." This is a sufficient morsel to indicate that the leader was a sufficient master of Statecraft to return to the old path, by employing the Nation's strength as of yore. It is by the same method that our position in Asia will be secured; but the difficulty of applying such a policy is added the fact that it must be worked out on the other side of the world. Of the countries with which we have to deal in this attempt, we may place on the one side Russia, and, perhaps, France; on the other, the United States, Germany, and Japan. It may be asked, what reason is there to suppose that either Japan, Germany, or the United States would be willing to run themselves on our side? Or, it may be said, why assume that the American master is willing to follow our lead, and that the isolation of Europe is our fate. What then?

In maintaining the balance of power in Europe, that has more often been the case until the moment for action arose. Can we, then, be called too sanguine if we believe it is still within the power of our Foreign Minister to avail himself of this moment in time to allow, if necessary, of the requisite condition in the Far East, before forming a policy? I think not, and the behaviour of Europe in the present South African crisis supports this opinion. There is, however, no reason to take an extreme case against our being able to uphold the balance of power in Asia, and we are justified in assuming from the fact that our policy is identified with the open door—that, if not actually friendly, we shall at least find Germany, the United States, and Japan neutral. There remain, then, only these two Russia alone seriously in the Far East.

Turning to the first of the recent changes, we find that in the days before the Siberian Railway was thought of there was but one Foreign Power known to China. Individual "Barbarians" had, for many years been settled in that country, prominent among whom were the French Jesuit fathers, but from a Chinese point of view these were but Jess that had been. Until the first English attack on Canton in 1847 no Western nation had dared to invade the sanctity of the Middle Kingdom, and from that date, in 1857 no other attempted to dislodge the predominant position of Great Britain in China. Although for over two centuries Russia and China have had interests, it is only during the last three years that their relations have been openly assumed that their present aspect is little more than forty years—incredible though it may sound—since Mowat first descended the Amur, and it is from that time that the various attention of Russia has been fixed on Manchuria. We cannot but admire the tenacity of purpose displayed by that Power in the gradual acquisition of her Eastern Siberian dominion. In 1849 Mowat transferred his Russian base on the Pacific from Otarok to Petropavlovsk, in Kamtschatka, and in the following year the fort of Nikolayevsk was founded, a few miles from the mouth of the Amur. In 1859 the Treaty of Pekin sanctioned the occupation of Vladivostok and Possiet Bay, and it was the Chinese Emperor who gave Russia the excuse to seize Port Arthur and Talienshan. What the present may be will widely affect the final occupation of the whole of Manchuria; it is impossible to predict, but it appears that the Mother Country is to long as the Mother Country is now little doubt. If traditions could be relied on, Russia has already been fully involved, for Russia at the present time is practically possessed of the country.

The second, and, to us, equally important, of the changes is the growth of the Naval strength of Japan. As in Europe so in Asia, the Fleet of Great Britain must be prepared to meet the combined forces of any two other nations, but the conditions are such that it is unlikely that any two nations would venture to put their Naval resources to such a test.

To be the chief Sea Power in the Far East is a laudable ambition, and an undeniably Japan's intention, and it is within our power and worth the while to help her in the attempt. Every generation to come no others than ourselves can hope to dispute her pre-eminence. Russia may make the effort, but though it is possible, owing to unforeseen circumstances, that the result of the first Naval engagement might be in her favour, in a war between the two in the Far East could, in the end, have but one result. It would be imperative for the Russian ships to retreat, and although Port Arthur, and to a certain extent, Vladivostok, supply the means, the resources of these two places may far exceed those which he did.

## THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.  
At the conclusion of the meeting of the Legislative Council, yesterday afternoon, a meeting of the Finance Committee was held. Hon. F. H. May, Acting Colonial Secretary, presided.

The following financial minute (No. 35) was submitted:

The Officer Administering the Government recommends the Council to vote a sum of Twenty-nine thousand, one hundred and fifty dollars and Eighty cents (\$29,150.80), being amount of compensation awarded to Madame Lucia V. Masso in respect of the Plaza Reichenau in front of Plaza Leto, 188 and 189.

Mr. Chater—Hon. Sir, she accepted this?

Mr. Chater—What is the area?

The Chairman—About 370 square feet.

Mr. Chater—That is the area of the property. I think the area of the Reichenau is only 15,000 foot.

The vote was passed.

THE GOVERNOR'S PEAK RESIDENCE.

The Chairman said there was another matter which His Excellency the Governor had asked him to mention and that was the residence of the Governor at the Peak. A sum of \$15,000 had been voted towards the building and the estimated cost was put down at \$25,000. Owing, however, to the increased cost of building the lowest tender which had been received for the work, it was announced to \$16,000. His Excellency the Governor was willing to allow the work to stand over until they had been made aware of the fact. The \$15,000 standing in the estimates would, according to the Director of Public Works, be sufficient as the expenses to be incurred.

Mr. Chater—Don't you think the proper course would be to submit the matter to the Public Works Committee?

The Chairman—Of course the vote has already been approved by the Public Works Committee.

Mr. Thomas was of the opinion, and it was decided to submit the matter to the Public Works Committee.

This was all the business.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.  
(SUPPLIED THROUGH BRITISH)

OUTWARD.—*Fred Date*, May 3; *Reval*, May 13; *Minerva*, May 15; *Vindobona*, Indore, 22; *Chalgong*, Aug. 1; *Melacca*, Bosphorus F. Ferdinand, June 8; *Arabia*, Iznik, Chin, Marie Valerie, Onoria, 12; *Oreles*, 15; *Gencruth*, Teek, 21; *Serbia*, Rihova, 22; *Japan*, Seda Maru, Asia, Yangtze, 26; *Glenelg*, Nurberg, Java, Broekhaven, 29; *China*, Opact, Ruffe, Murice, Lazarus, July 3; *Borneo*, Patroclus, Tundanus, Anapua, Kertaland, Eman, 6.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

*July 6. Sodae.*

MAILS.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Hongkong Mail*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, dated San Francisco 11th June, left Yokohama on Tuesday, the 3rd July, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 10th July.

The P. M. S. R. C. *Cina*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Island Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 22nd June.

The O. & O. Co.'s.s. *Doris*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Island Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 23rd June.

The C. P. R. Co.'s.s. *Empress of India*, left Yokohama on Friday afternoon, the 6th July, for Victoria and Vancouver.

The silk of the C. P. R. Co.'s.s. *Empress of India* arrived in New York on 6th July.

Steamers Expected.

The N. P. Co.'s.s. *Queen Adelicia* called from Tasmania for Japan and Hongkong on 24th June.

The E. & P. Co.'s.s. *Eastern*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Durness on 29th June; *Tinor* and Hongkong, July 1.

The silk of the C. P. R. Co.'s.s. *Tutor*, to sail in New York on 1st July.

The Austrian Lloyd's *Trieste* left Moji for this port on Monday, the 6th July, at 4 p.m.

The n.s. *Lightning*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of 6th July.

The s.s. *Verona* left Suez on the 7th June, and is expected here on or about the 7th July.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kanakura Maru* left Kobe (via Moji) for this port on the 4th July, and is expected to arrive here on the morning of 11th July.

The C. M. C. Co.'s.s. *Tenku*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, is due at this port on 12th July.

The s.s. *Verona* for this port on the 7th July and is due here on or about 13th July.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Sahono Maru* left Singapore for this port on the 6th July, and is expected to arrive here on the 12th July.

The C. M. C. Co.'s.s. *Miss Mary* left Singapore for this port on the 7th July, and is expected to arrive here on the 13th July.

The steamer *Eva*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 8th July, and may be expected here on or about the 14th July.

Latest Advice.

The Imperial German Mail L. & B. *Bayern* left Foochow on Tuesday, the 19th July, at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday afternoon, the 11th August.

The P. M. S. R. C. *Athena*, with the Panama Mail of the 15th June, left Singapore on Sunday, the 8th July, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 13th July.

The P. M. S. R. C. *Aspasia*, with the Panama Mail of the 15th June, left Singapore on Sunday, the 8th July, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 13th July.

The story goes that he once saw through a window Miss Ethel Armstrong, a daughter of Major George Armstrong, and a widow of a Canadian, who had married him. He did not know her, but he was there and there received to the means, the resources of three thousand dollars, which he did.

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2. The London Gazette.

3. The British Almanac.

4. The Royal Almanac.

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